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*“The HGV aims to provide a dynamic continuing education program in which all persons with an interest in Histology and Histotechnology are freely invited to participate.”*

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# BLURB FROM THE BUSH

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## **2011/2012 PRESIDENTS REPORT**

The 2011/2012 year has been focussed primary on the organisation of the 2013 National Meeting. This is our second time organising the meeting and we have decided to progress to using a Conference Organiser to assist. This will not only add to the professional appearance of the conference but relieve a significant amount of work from our volunteer committee.

Of our routine commitments we held five well attended scientific meetings. Thankyou to Nugget for her dedication in ensuring that speakers, venues and catering is organised in a timely manner. Thankyou also to Liz who religiously attends to the AV and certificates. The committee does spend some time trying to provide interesting topics and speakers as this in many ways is our core activity from which the HGV was built.

Maria Chavez with enlisted assistance from Greg Jenkins and Alex Laslowski once again organised a trivia night which sold out in record time. This has prompted the committee to search for a new location to cater for the ever expanding demand for seats.

In August the HGV in conjunction with the Haematology Discussion Group produced under the guise of AIMS a joint conference in Cape Schanck. As a new venture, the conference did extremely well, with good numbers at an outstanding venue. The HGV were very impressed and will look to another in the future.

The crux of these large ventures is the programs. Both for the Cape Schanck conference and the forthcoming National Conference, Maria Chavez has been the program coordinator. This is a significant role which requires dedication and organisation. Maria does a fabulous job. Maria has not renominated for the next committee and will be a significant loss to our committee. She brings passion and ideas. She has played no small role in the success of the HGV over the past 7 years. Thankyou Maria, the HGV wishes you well and hopes to see you back again in the future.

Our newsletter, Paraffinalia, changed in how it was distributed to the membership. The HGV commenced a long process of trying to get members to commit to either a hard copy or an electronic copy. In the end the majority of members elected electronic. We now only produce 44 hard copies. The process did lead to archiving over 100 members who after numerous requests including a dedicated letter did not make a selection and as such no longer receive HGV communications. However the task of producing five or six newsletters a year falls to our editor Liz. She has again done a marvellous job putting together what we think is the best Histology newsletter in the country.

I would like to note the ongoing enormous commitment that Judy Brincat makes as not only treasurer but as the HGV Godmother. Her passionate dedication to Histology education is astounding. The HGV is very fortunate to have Judy still rocking up to committee meetings.

Our website has continued to flourish, thanks largely to Sean. His knowledge on matters IT, and his patience in being able to explain it in lay terms to those of us who struggle with the ever expanding array of gadgets and acronyms is a great asset.

The HGV would not be able to undertake any of these ventures and maintain free membership was it not for our trade. They not only assist with sponsorship dollars but support our conferences. Kristy has continued to liaise with all our trade representatives ensuring that sponsorship and advertising opportunities are arranged in a timely and fair manner.

This year has seen some new faces on the committee, which is refreshing. But most importantly is the dedication that everyone has shown coming to the committee meetings and sharing the load whether the task be small or large. Thankyou to Mark, Rosemary, Rebecca, Kellie and Michelle. Michelle has decided as a Cytologist to leave the fold, but her efforts, particularly in taking minutes has been much appreciated.

Lastly, the AGM saw the first three members elected to the category of life membership for over 10 years of dedicated service to the HGV committee. Judy Brincat, Neil O'Callaghan and myself were honoured to be bestowed life membership. It has been a very rewarding journey for us all.

Adrian Warmington

President HGV





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# Review: Medical Science at the Cape

## August 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 2012

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For the first time this year, the Haematology Discussion Group ( AIMS Vic Branch) and the HGV collaborated to bring to the scientific community a joint meeting at the beautiful RACV Cape Schanck Resort, Victoria.

The program consisted of an excellent scientific program covering a range of disciplinary topics, notably haematology, histology, blood transfusion, molecular, quality improvement and scientific education.

The opening speaker Dr. Piers Blombery, discussed the significance of the BRAF V600E mutation, which is present in almost 100 % of cases of patients with hairy cell leukaemia.

Our very own Sue Sturrock emphasised the importance of inter laboratory communication and cooperation in reference to obtaining optimal results for bone marrow trephines. Methods for fixation and decalcification vary widely according to requirements for speed, morphology, IHC and molecular techniques. As yet, there is no quality assurance program for BMT, and therefore it is difficult to assess laboratory performance standards, apart from feedback provided by internal clients.

Neil Waters provided a very interesting presentation on the valuable work the Red Cross is involved in providing safe blood transfusions in the Asia Pacific area. In his presentation, Neil discussed many of the aspects required to set up a functioning blood transfusion service with limited resources and training.

Jason Kelly provided a more light hearted and entertaining approach to his presentation on hedgehog genes and morphogenesis. Jason discussed how the discovery of the naturally occurring steroidal alkaloid in the 1950's has led to the development of the novel therapeutic agent "Saridegib" and clinical trials in treatments of haematological and neoplastic disorders.

**Next generation sequencing** (NGS) is by far the most popular topic of conversation within the medical industry at the moment. Anthony Bell introduced this extremely valuable advancement in gene sequencing technology. This technique is superior to the gold standard Sanger method for DNA sequencing as it is faster, inexpensive and accurate. The technology has allowed the identification and categorisation of mutations in multiple cancer types and has led to new discoveries that are rapidly being translated into clinical practice.

Dr Nina Fotinatos, Associate Dean of Learning and Teaching, (Health Sciences department at the University of Ballarat) provided a detailed summary of the teaching methods used to teach medical science students of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. In her discussion Nina emphasised how innovative and engaging learning and teaching strategies provide 'work ready scientists' with high levels of knowledge, skills and values. In the classroom, Nina even encourages the use of scientific iPhone apps, a sure winner with the students 😊.

Ebony Forrest presented an interesting and rare case study of a 20 year old female diagnosed with ovarian teratoma . Ebony presented both cytological and histological findings. Ovarian teratomas are relatively common, however only 1-2 % of cases undergo malignant transformation, as was the case for this patient. The complete diagnosis was malignant melanoma developing from an ovarian teratoma. This is an extremely rare finding and only a few cases have been reported worldwide.

MyHoa Huynh presented two case studies of Crescentic Glomerulonephritis (GN), a progressive renal disease that results in more than 50% loss of renal function. GN can be pathologically categorised under three major findings : anti GBM disease, immune complex associated GN and Pauci immune crescentic GN. In her presentation, MyHoa demonstrated the significance of correlating histological and immunopathology findings to accurately diagnose patients with GN.

Dr Tom Hartley informed the audience about NATA's technical note #17, as it applies to subjective testing methods. Dr Hartley provided valuable practical advice about how to validate and verify these pathology tests in accordance to NATA standards.

Renal biopsies are a major part of routine histology in a hospital laboratory. At Monash medical centre, the scientists are responsible for attending the procedure and allocating the tissue for the various tests required. Only one glomerulus is required for electron microscopy examination and this piece of the renal biopsy is fixed in glutaraldehyde fixative. On the odd occasion, when the tissue has been fixed in formalin and not the appropriate glutaraldehyde, Paul Crammer demonstrated that it may still be possible to perform EM. In his presentation, Paul provided brilliant examples of some EM disasters, what to avoid and how to handle the situation when the conditions are not ideal.

There is a high association between venous thromboembolism (VTE) and patients with cancer. VTE is estimated to be the second most common cause of death in patients with cancer. Risk factors for cancer associated thrombosis include tumour type, anti-tumour therapy, surgery and immobility. Ray Dauer presented some of the findings of the Fundamental Research In Oncology and thrombosis (FRONTLINE) study. The study has provided valuable information on internal and regional practice patterns for the management of VTE in cancer patients. Despite advances in the treatment of VTE in cancer patients, cancer associated thrombosis remains a serious and potentially life threatening disease.

Carmel Murone provided a detailed introduction to the Victorian Cancer Biobank and how the 'Hub and Spokes' collection model operates throughout the four founding member tissue banks. The Hub consists of the four founding member sites (Austin Health, Melbourne Health, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Southern Health and the Cancer council Victoria). The 'spokes' refers to the other public and private sector hospitals linked to the 'Hubs'. The collection, storage and processing of the tissue specimens occurs at the Hub sites.

An Aperio Scanscope system has been implemented at all the four Hub sites to provide streamline access to biospecimens. This technology provides high resolution digital imaging of pathology slides and smears.

The social program was just as successful as the scientific component of the weekend. Delegates had the opportunity to go on a winery tour and sample some of the finest the Mornington Peninsula has

to offer. Others resorted to play a round of golf, despite the average weather. The highlight for me was of course the Saturday night dinner, good food, good company and fantastic music. It was a great opportunity for the Saturday speakers to relax and enjoy the evening...one in particular probably enjoyed it too much on the dance floor and ended up with a wardrobe malfunction...but we won't mention any names 😊.

I would like to thank all of the organising committee, members of the HGV and the HDG/AIMS Vic Branch for the hard work and effort everyone put in to make this a very successful meeting and I look forward to collaborating again in the future.

Maria Chavez

# Scientific Meeting Review

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**15<sup>th</sup> November 2012**

## **Victorian Neuromuscular Laboratory Service: Past, Present & Future**

**Presented by Paul Kennedy and Veronika Gazdik**

Paul & Veronika began by introducing us to the history of the Victorian Neuromuscular Laboratory Service which began in the late 1950s when Ross MacDonald Anderson began a muscle diagnostic service for hospitals across Melbourne from the Pathology Department at the University of Melbourne.

Over the years the service moved locations, changed names and grew in both processing and reporting of muscle and nerve biopsies. Until in July 2011 it moved to the facilities in the Anatomical Pathology Department at Alfred Health under their current service name, Victorian Neuromuscular Laboratory Service (VNLS).

The current Victorian Neuromuscular Laboratory Service is a muscle and nerve diagnostic service funded by the Department of Human Services and provides this service across Victoria, Tasmania and southern NSW. They receive 450 muscle and 50 -70 nerve biopsies per year which involves 4 pathologists for reporting.

A muscle or nerve biopsy is part of an overall investigation when clinicians are looking for a diagnosis including family history, clinical assessment, other pathology testing, electrophysiology and imaging.

Specimen collection and maintaining specimen integrity is very important. Muscle and Nerve Collection Kits are available from VNLS. For muscle biopsies it is important to send fresh tissue and to use clamps to maintain length in the muscle fibres. For nerve biopsies it is important to not freeze the specimen. A specimen at least 25mm is needed with a suture placed at the distal end. Place the hook from the nerve kit on the proximal end and suspend in the glass tube.

In the laboratory each biopsy is tested in a variety of ways:

Muscle:

- 1) Frozen Sections; Enzyme-Histochemistry (x20 sections), IHC +/- IF, Western Blot
- 2) Paraffin Sections; H&E, Special stains in requests, Masson Trichrome, PASD, Congo Red
- 3) Electron Microscopy; Thick sections TS & LS, Thin sections, EM micrographs

Nerve:

- 1) Paraffin Sections; H&E, Masson Trichrome, Congo Red, Unstained
- 2) Electron Microscopy; Transverse section, Teased nerve fibre section, Nerve montage and histogram

Common problems experienced with a muscle and/or nerve biopsy:

- Frozen Specimens
- Cauterised specimens
- Lack of timely delivery
- Bathed in saline
- Local anaesthetic contamination
- Poorly fixed specimens
- Nerve hook not attached
- Nerve tube not upright
- Insufficient sample

The future for muscle and nerve biopsy diagnosis is in candidate proteins and genes or mechanisms that control protein expression in patients with neuromuscular disorders. Currently Western Blot analysis is used to look for proteins involved in the disease process. In the future they look to using gene sequencing as a diagnostic tool.

The Australasian Neuromuscular Network (ANN) is a group formed in 2010 who strive to ensure excellence in diagnostic methods and clinical management, and equal access to clinical trials and new therapies, for all individuals in Australia and New Zealand affected by neuromuscular disorders.

They are currently working on a proposed national diagnostic platform which will improve the health outcomes for patients diagnosed with a neuromuscular disorder.

*By Kristy De George*

*Austin Pathology*

# Histology in Three Countries in Four Weeks

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The AIMS National Scientific meeting for 2012 was held in Darwin from 24<sup>th</sup> September to 27<sup>th</sup> September. As I'd never been to Darwin before, I arrived a day early to visit Litchfield National Park, a day tour, quite a long one, from Darwin. The weather was fine and warm, preceding the build-up to the wet



Our very small tour group spent most of the day swimming in crocodile-free swimming holes, in-between sight-seeing. The scientific meeting kicked off with workshops, the highlight for histologists being Geoff Rolls' "Artefacts, Faults and Failures" presentation. I'm sure everyone, even the histologists with more than 20 years' experience, and there were a few, learned something. The Opening Cocktail Function was held in the trade area of the Exhibition Hall at the Darwin Convention Centre located in the waterfront precinct.





The histology sessions commenced on Tuesday with Chris Phillipa's presentation discussing specimens from tropical climates and fixation issues. Professor Ibrahim Zardawi followed on with 'Coping with Medical Errors', which gave an insight into a project completed in his laboratory examining many aspects about the incidence of medical errors. Two proffered papers followed, from Lynne Chambers and Trung Nguyen. The Conference Dinner was held at Darwin Sailing Club, we watched the sun go down and ate a substantial seafood buffet accompanied by a live band.



Wednesday morning's histology sessions, chaired by yours truly featured an AFB theme led by Colin Gordon's discussion of Acid Fast staining in resource-challenged environments. Tony Reilly delivered a fascinating case study involving *Mycobacterium Marinum*. Following the AIMS AGM the plenary session included a highly informative presentation from Adjunct A/Prof Stuart Blacksell and Dr Ben Burford entitled Travel Medicine: Diagnosis and management of tropical infections in travellers and expatriates. This was followed by "Hendra, Horses and Hysteria" from Dr Bruce Corney. Following afternoon tea, the Veterinary Histology session included a very interesting look at the CSIRO-AAHL laboratories in Geelong, and Jean Payne's experience with prion diseases, and a presentation from Dr Jodie Morris featuring the role of histology in assessing such tropical bacterial infections as melioidosis. Those who attended the histology dinner at Il Lido on the waterfront were not disappointed by a delicious meal and wines in the company of friends and colleagues. The histology sessions on the last day were presented by Ruth Davies and Penny Whippy, and covered immunofluorescence of renal biopsies and HER-2 testing for breast and gastric cancers in Asia. Dr Jacqueline Boyd delivered the final inspirational plenary, sharing her considerable experiences working with Médecins Sans Frontières in Sudan and South Sudan in 2011.

Next stop was Vancouver, BC, Canada to visit my daughter currently undertaking a 3-month exchange from University of Melbourne to study at University of British Columbia, Vancouver, and NSH just happened to be there in 2012, so two valid reasons to go! NSH did not disappoint. The Symposium/Convention was held at the Vancouver Convention Centre, located at the waterfront, with several top-class hotels nearby and within easy walking distance of a plethora of restaurants and bars in Gastown. Despite suffering killer jet-lag I did manage to attend five workshops, having learnt from last time, I didn't sign up for any that started at 8am. As it was, getting there by late morning was a huge effort (I really wanted to be asleep until at least mid-afternoon). The workshops I did attend included Cancer in Hollywood, which dealt with common cancers and attached a celebrity sufferer; Sentinel Lymph Nodes: A Look at the Significance from a Histotech's Perspective; Best Practices for IHC detection of ER, PR and HER-2 protein Overexpression in Human Breast Cancers; ISH vs IHC; and Paleohistology. The Awards banquet was a top night, and the trade exhibition was awesome, requiring at least half a day to explore sufficiently. In between attending workshops and visiting the trade, I did manage some sightseeing, as did one or two other Australian delegates.





The rest of the week in Vancouver was spent being a tourist, touring the beautiful city including Granville Island, visiting Capilano Suspension Bridge and Victoria on Vancouver Island. More sightseeing was to follow, as I embarked on a Brewster's tour from Vancouver, BC to Calgary, Alberta. This took me through the Okanagan Valley, and part of the Canadian Rockies including Banff, Lake Louise and the Columbia Icefield.



Next stop London, and Windsor, for the UK NEQAS-ICC & ISH conference, held at The Beaumont Estate and Conference Centre, Old Windsor. This was a top quality, information-packed conference, combining molecular and IHC-related topics, concentrating on cancer diagnosis and targeted treatment. There were well over 100 delegates, and a substantial trade exhibition, which included some surprises for me in the form of several past and present Roche and Leica team members who are now working in the UK.



After a very busy and intense weekend, it was time to take off once again and explore the English country-side. My travels took me through Devon, Cornwall and Wessex, before returning to London to fly home.



It was certainly an action-packed few weeks, but thoroughly enjoyable, learnt lots and saw many places I'd only ever imagined.

*Judy Brincat*

*Focus Pathology*



# Under the Microscope with Jane Furness-Reported by Rebecca Forrester

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## **1./What was your first job?**

Woolworths Delicatessen at thirteen years old. I was incredibly proud and relished my position. To the delight of my parents I was intent in paying my own way at an early age.

## **2./ How long have you worked in Histology?**

I first started in 2008 at Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology in Queensland on the Gold Coast. Originally, I started in Specimen Reception/Data Entry and was then transferred shortly after to the Histology Department. I worked at SNP for three and a half years before I decided to move to Melbourne as the lab was centralising to Brisbane. I have now been at Melbourne Pathology for just under one and a half blissful years.

## **3./Who would you most like to have dinner with and why?**

Sir David Attenborough, without a doubt. I'm an enthusiast for all things related to animals, be it hairy, scaly, furry or feathered, great or small. I would love to sit and listen to his stories of far away, untouched lands and creatures he encountered along the way. I think he is an amazing man who has done wonders for the environment by bringing education, and therefore awareness, straight through the TV to the comfort of peoples' homes.

## **4./What is your all-time favourite movie?**

Jaws. Although it evoked fear in the lives of many people, to me it did the complete opposite and created a lifelong obsession with Sharks.

## **5./What is your favourite stain?**

The Gram stain. Bacteria is fascinating considering it was one of the first life forms to inhabit Earth and can grow in most habitats. The stain itself is very 'hands on' which I enjoy and involves using Crystal Violet which is purple my favourite colour.

## **6./What is your favourite food/Restaurant?**

I'm partial to anything Asian, especially sushi and sashimi. My local Japanese restaurant which I adore is Matsumoto Japanese Restaurant on Lygon street. The staff are so sweet and friendly, it's always very popular.

## **7./What is your dream holiday destination and why?**

Galapagos Islands, I love Charles Darwin's - Theory of Evolution. Most of his findings were noted on the Island and I would love to see first-hand what he observed. The Island is home to thousands of intriguing species, but what I'm mostly attracted to is the large schooling of sharks, in particular Hammerhead's, off the Galapagos' coastline.

## **8./How had the move to a new home been?**

Moving from the Gold Coast to Melbourne has been a huge change, not just due to the weather, but the people, culture, size, opportunities and the atmosphere all differ too. A year and a half in, I feel settled in to my new, entirely different life and I'm happy to call Melbourne home. I love that there is always something new to discover around every corner.



# A Series of Short Presentations

**Date:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2013

**Time:** 6:00 – 6:45 Refreshments

6:45 – 7:45 Presentation

**Venue:** **The Royal Dental Hospital**  
720 Swanston Street  
Carlton, VIC.

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## NATIONAL HISTOLOGY CONFERENCE 2013

Crown Conference Centre, Melbourne  
26-28 April, 2013  
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Early bird cut-off date 31st January 2013



Not only does the National Histology Conference have a strong scientific program, including workshops already confirmed, as well as a number of high-quality, world recognised scientific and medical guest speakers it also has a very exciting social program!



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Game: Collingwood Vs Essendon

Location: Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG)

Date: 25th April 2013

Cost: \$285pp – based on 2012 prices (please be aware that these may increase slightly in 2013)

RSVP date: 31st December 2012

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Date: 26th April 2013

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RSVP date: 31st January 2013

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Date: 25th April 2013

Cost: \$110.00 per person

RSVP date: 31st January 2013

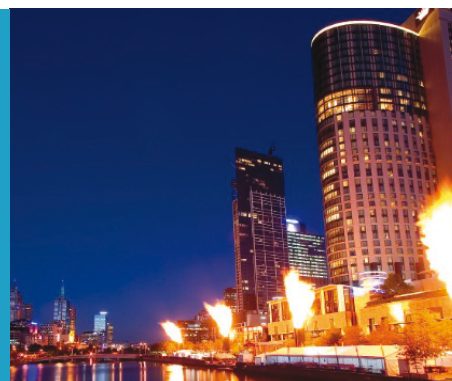
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### Welcome Function

The welcome function is a great way for delegates to talk to exhibitors and trade representatives in a relaxed and casual environment, there will be nibbles and drinks provided. Tickets are included as a part of your full registration fees.  
Date: 26th April 2013

### Gala Dinner

The Conference Gala Dinner will be held in the River View Room in the Crown Casino, watch the iconic Melbourne flames on the Promenade from the balcony, enjoy a three course meal and some great entertainment with industry fellows.  
Date: 27th April 2013





# NATIONAL HISTOLOGY CONFERENCE 2013

## Program

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*A detailed program is currently being worked on however in the meantime please see below for a list of speakers and topics thus far, further details regarding the topics will be released early 2013.*

### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2013

Dr Guy Orchard /  
Mohammed Shams  
Dr Thomas Haas

Dr Thomas Haas

Jason Kelly / Alex Laslowski /  
Mark Bromley / Rita Au

MOHS Technique (Advanced)

Tissue identification for the Histologist (Basic)

Stalking the big Four: New developments in the diagnosis of breast,  
prostate, colon and lung carcinomas (Advanced)

Basic Immunohistochemistry Stain Identification: Focus on stain  
identification & Recognition of some popular antibody markers  
(Basic)

### Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2013

Keith Byron

Tony Van Galen

Dr Guy Orchard

Anne Prins / Alana Treasure

Mark Koina

Piero Nelva / Dr Beena Kumar

Natalie Kvalheim

Soeun Mom

MyHoa Huynh

Nina Fotinatos

Introduction to Molecular Techniques

Laboratory practices for the diagnosis and management of  
prostate cancer

IHC Diagnosis of Malignant Melanoma

Interesting Histology

EM diagnosis of infectious agents (Case studies)

Technical aspects related to Breast cancer diagnosis

Abalone virus ISH

Male infertility : Testicular biopsies

GVHD: An Introduction

Career paths/ research opportunities post MLS

### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2013

Naomi McCallum

Dr Thomas Haas / Heather  
Renko

Suzanne Svobodova

David Gan

Andrew Griffin

Professor Peter Choong

Greg Jenkins

EM diagnosis : Neuropathology case studies

SLN: A look at the significance from a Histotech's perspective

Companion diagnostic molecular testing for BRAF, KRAS and EGFR

Making the most of your specimen in IHC

NATA: Aspects of the standard in reference to laboratory  
accreditation

Targeted therapies in sarcoma

Histology disasters





# NATIONAL HISTOLOGY CONFERENCE **2013**

## Registration Form

26-28 April 2013

Crown Conference Centre, Melbourne



### Venue

The National Histology Conference 2013 will be held at the Crown Conference Centre which is located at 8 Whiteman Street, Southbank, Victoria.

### Car Parking

Free car parking will be available at Crown Conference Centre should you require this please advise InFront Events Australia, as spaces must be booked in advance to receive complimentary parking.

### Registration Payments and Inclusions

All prices are listed in Australian dollars (AUD), and are GST inclusive.

### Full package registrations include

- Attendance to all sessions of the conference
- All conference documentation
- Conference satchel
- Catering as per program
- Welcome Reception on Friday 26th of April
- Conference Gala Dinner on Saturday 27th of April
- Does not include attendance to workshops on Friday 26th of April, these must be purchased separately

### Conference only registrations include

- Attendance to all sessions of the conference
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- Conference satchel
- Catering as per program
- Welcome Reception on Friday 26th of April
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- Does not include attendance to workshops on Friday 26th of April, these must be purchased separately

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- Conference satchel
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Full payment must accompany the registration form, for your registration to be confirmed.

### Cancellation policy

All cancellations must be notified in writing to Conference Managers, InFront Events Australia. Cancellations prior to December 1, 2012 will receive a 50% refund of total registration fees. Refunds for cancellations made after December 1, 2012 will only be made in exceptional circumstances. Accommodation refunds are subject to the terms and conditions of each hotel, please contact InFront Events Australia if you wish to find out more about these terms and conditions.

### Liability Disclaimer

In the event of industrial disruption or other unforeseen circumstance, the Conference Organisers accept no responsibility for loss of money incurred by delegates, exhibitors or sponsors.

### Further Information

For further information on terms of registration and up to date information on speakers, sponsor and conference program, please refer to the conference website:

[www.nationalhistologyconference.com.au](http://www.nationalhistologyconference.com.au)

### Registration Desk

All exhibitors, delegates and participants will be required to visit the registration desk prior to entering the conference areas and functions, on your first day only. The registration desk will be located in the ground foyer of the Crown Conference Centre on Whiteman Street.

### Accommodation

#### Melbourne ShortStay Apartments – Southbank Deluxe

The Melbourne ShortStay Apartments at Southbank Deluxe have a fully equipped kitchen with a gas cook top and dishwasher. Broadband is available in the room and each room has 26 Foxtel channels. The hotel has a stunning garden terrace with a heated indoor pool, with a gymnasium for those who like to keep fit.

#### Crown Promenade Hotel

Set in the heart of South Wharf, conveniently located within the building of the conference venue. Each of their modern guest rooms and suites have been innovatively designed, and includes internet access for one device.

#### Holiday Inn

The Holiday Inn is conveniently located a "stone's throw" away from the trendy Southbank area. Swim a few laps in their heated pool or steam away stress in their sauna.

#### Travel Lodge

The Hotel is within easy walking distance to great restaurants and cafés (chargeback facilities available with some restaurants in Southbank), impressive shopping, renowned art galleries and the Crown Casino.

### Melbourne

Just when you think you've got Melbourne figured out, you'll uncover one more pocket of the CBD with a particular vibe that makes it feel so right to lose another three hours or so.

While fairly compact in size, Melbourne's CBD is split into distinct areas, each with its own fortes and flavours. Bourke Street Mall offers no-strings-attached retail therapy, Chinatown is all dumplings and heritage, Collins Street knows how posh you really are, Flinders quarter squeezes your creative juices, and the sports precinct's fever is contagious. The alleys and laneways, conventional and vertical, make their own rules, and encourage you to break them.

Go on, just look around one more corner, so it might be a good idea to extend your stay!





## Personal Details

Title: Dr / Prof / Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss / Other

First Name

Surname

Position

Organisation

Address

Suburb / City

State

Postcode

Country (If other than Australia)

Email

Mobile

Phone

Fax

Other Requirements (e.g Dietary, Wheelchair access, Hearing Loop, etc)

Will you require onsite car parking at Crown Conference Centre

Yes ☐ No ☐

Number Plate

☐ I authorise Histology Group of Victoria to keep me informed about future events and promotions (Please Tick)

☐ I authorise my contact details to be provided to registered Exhibitors and Sponsors of the Histology Conference 2013 (Please Tick)

☐ I authorise for my name and contact details to be published in the conference brochure (Please Tick)

## Registration Details

### Registration Type:

☐ Early Bird Delegate – Full Package \$570.00

Available until 31st of January, 2012

☐ Early Bird Delegate – Conference Only \$450.00

Available until 31st of January, 2012

☐ Delegate – Full Package \$720.00

Applicable from 1st of February, 2012

☐ Delegate – Conference Only \$600.00

Applicable from 1st of February, 2012

☐ Student Delegate \$100.00

### Day Registration:

☐ Early Bird Saturday Only Registration \$270.00

Available until 31st of January, 2012

☐ Early Bird Sunday Only Registration \$180.00

Available until 31st of January, 2012

☐ Saturday Only Registration \$360.00

Applicable from 1st of February, 2012

☐ Sunday Only Registration \$240.00

Applicable from 1st of February, 2012

☐ Student Day Registration (Please Circle) \$50.00  
Saturday Sunday

### Friday Workshop:

All Workshops are \$95 each

☐ Workshop 1 – MOHS - Guy Orchard PhD (Advanced)

☐ Workshop 2 – Stalking the Big Four: New developments in the diagnosis of breast, prostate, colon and lung carcinomas - Thomas Haas DO (Advanced)

☐ Workshop 3 – Tissue Identification - Thomas Haas DO (Basic)

☐ Workshop 4 – Immunohistochemistry Stain Identification - Various (Basic)

### Social Program:

#### Welcome Function:

If you have purchased a Full Package or Conference Only registration please indicate by ticking the box below should you wish to attend the Welcome Function, which is included in the registration cost. A non-marked box will be listed as a non-attendee.

☐ Welcome Function

If you have purchased a Day or Student Registration or wish to purchase additional tickets for non-delegates to the Welcome Function please indicate below:

☐ Welcome Function additional tickets \_\_\_\_\_ \$80.00

Please outline the number of tickets required

#### Conference Gala Dinner:

If you have purchased a Full Package Registration, the Conference Gala Dinner is included in the registration cost. All other delegates wishing to attend the Conference Gala Dinner or for additional tickets for partners or colleagues please indicate below:

☐ Conference Gala Dinner Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ \$120.00

Please outline the number tickets required



## Accommodation Details

Arrival Date

Departure Date

Length of Stay

Name of Person/s Sharing Room (if applicable)

All locations have been selected as they are all within walking distance to the conference venue

### Holiday Inn Melbourne on Flinders

575 Flinders Lane, Melbourne

☐ \$220.00 Standard Room

Room Type	Bedding Configuration	Bathroom	Max people
Standard	1 x Queen Bed	1	2

### Crown Promenade Hotel

8 Whiteman Street, Southbank Melbourne

☐ \$250.00 Standard Room

Room Type	Bedding Configuration	Bathroom	Max people
Standard King	1 x King Bed	1	2
Standard Queen	2 x Queen Bed	1	3

### Melbourne ShortStay Apartments – Deluxe

63 Whiteman Street, Southbank, Melbourne

☐ \$235.00 Condo Room

☐ \$349.00 Executive Room

☐ \$462.00 Superior Room

Room configuration (please tick)

☐ Queen ☐ Twin

Room Type	Bedding Configuration	Bathroom	Max people
Condo	1 x Queen Bed	1	2
Executive	2 x Queen Bed	2	4
Superior	2 x Queen Beds and 2 x Single Beds	2	6

### Travelodge Southbank

9 Riverside Quay, Southbank

☐ \$140.00 Standard Room

Room Type	Bedding Configuration	Bathroom	Max people
Standard	1 x Queen Bed 1 x Double Sofa Bed	1	2

## Payment Summary

Registration Sub Total \$

Social Program Sub Total \$

Accommodation Sub Total \$

Total Amount Payable \$

## Payment Details

I would like to make payment by (Please Tick)

☐ Cheque Made payable to InFront Events Australia Pty Ltd

☐ E.F.T.

Account Name : In Front Events Australia

BSB: 085-458

Account Number: 823167020

A remittance advice must be provided for your payment to be credited and please ensure you reference payment with your full name

☐ Credit Card (4% Merchant fee applicable)

Card Type Visa / MasterCard

Credit Card Number

Expiry Date

Card Holders Name

Signature

## Return and Further Details

Please return this form with payment to:

National Histology Conference 2013 C/- In Front Events Australia

108 Magill Road Norwood, SA, 5067

Phone: (08) 83629844 / Fax: (08) 83624377 / Email: events@infront.com.au

## Agreement to Terms and Conditions

I wish to register for the 2013 National Histology Conference and I acknowledge the registration terms and conditions including the cancellation policy

Signature

## HGV Social Event 2013



Save the Date Barefoot Lawn Bowls

Friday 15 March

~\$35 per person for BBQ and two hours  
of bowling, drinks at bar prices



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## Future Events:

# 2013

### **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

Combined HGV/ASC Scientific Meeting-Student Presentations

Venue: The Royal Dental Hospital

720 Swanston St., Carlton

### **Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> March**

Lawn Bowls

Venue: Fitzroy Bowling and Sports Club

578 Brunswick St., Fitzroy North

### **April 26-28**

National Histology Conference 2013

Venue: Crown Casino, Melbourne

### **Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> May**

3<sup>rd</sup> International Workshop in Diagnostic Immunohistochemistry

Venue: Sydney

### **Friday July 26**

Trivia night

Venue: TBA

### **September 2-4**

AIMS meeting in Melbourne

Venue: TBA

### **September 20-25**

NSH Symposium Convention

Venue: Providence, Rhode Island, USA

### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

Scientific Meeting/AGM

Venue: Peter Mac